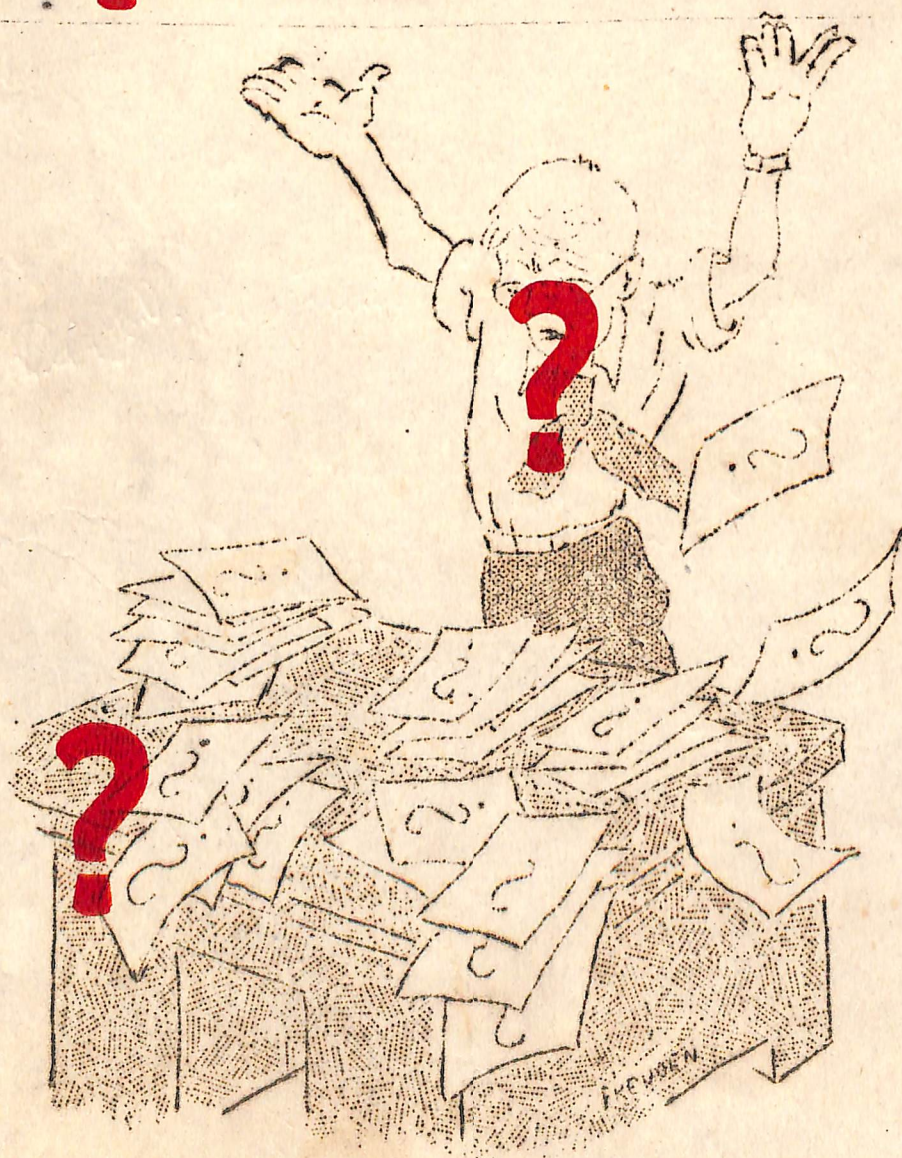


What's My Name?

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INTRODUCTORY!

When you read this, you read a part of the first issue of the Jewish Community Centres regular News-Paper. It is something you ought to be proud of, even if your contribution has not yet reached the editorial office. I hope that you are aware that this newspaper is the achievement of weeks of work done by your fellow-clubmembers.

The purpose of this newspaper is to add another of those interesting features to the long list of the Centres regular activities, of which you avail yourself at every opportunity. Here it is! Hot off the press, giving you a review of the three months existence of your favourite Club.

But there is something else, which should strengthen your interest in the work of your friends. It gives you the chance to see in print your selfwritten article covering a subject chosen by, an adventure experienced by yourself, to astonish your family and friends by your journalistic talents. This paper is based upon the principals of Free Speech, and if you cannot

find articles expressing different point of views, the faults lie entirely with those who are too shy or too lazy (do not count yourself, but choose) to send in their yarn. Democracy plays an important part in determining the papers policy. Suggestions and hints from those knowing really better, are always welcome and will be put into effect at the first possibility. A few vacancies still exist on the staff of the paper, and should your interests lie this way, might it not be a good idea to pool your knowledge with that of ours?

It is not my intention to keep you from reading this really interesting paper, yet I feel that I should give you a sound advice, take part in the contest, look for a suitable name for your club-paper and you might be the lucky guy who gets the first prize.

May you spend many happy hours reading your club-paper and good luck for your journalistic career.

H. B. Grawi
Editor - in - chief.

THINK IT OVER!

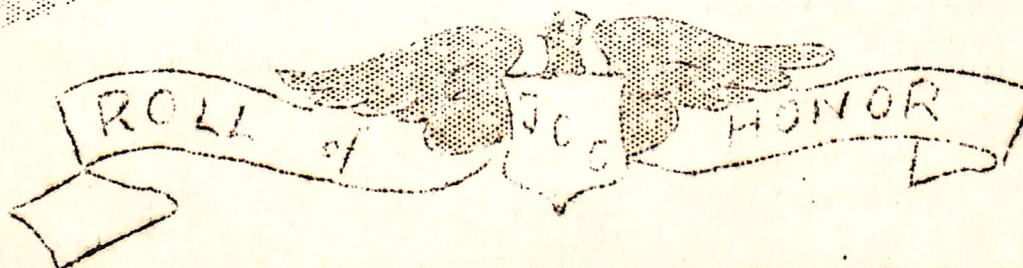
When you have a suggestion,
an idea or a hint,
Lets have your proposition,
and put it in print.

Democracy rules our mag,
Free Speech and Thought
all go into the common bag,
keep whats dearly bought.

But do not critizise,
for pleasures sake,
because it may jeopardize,
everything at stake.

Before sending a letter,
to the office of editions,
Be sure to know better,
with proposed suppositions.

H. B. Grawi



When enjoying the amenities of the Community Center, don't let us forget those won by their generous donations have contributed to make all this effort possible. There are so many professing to be friends of the youth but for most of them it seems to be only lip-service. All the more we are indebted to those who have given a tangible proof of this friendship. You will find amongst their names old acquaintances who have always been available when a financial sacrifice for the public good was called for, and new friends who have joined their ranks. They have all earned a place not only in this roll of honour but also in our memories:

Graywill Trading Company	Mr. A. Bandmann
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Mr. S. Tukachinsky	Mr. Ritterman
Mr. Alfred Sulke	Mr. Steiner

Another kind of contribution was given by the following persons by volunteering their services for the Centre. They have been of inestimable help to us and we choose this way of expressing our thanks.

Mr. Szekeres	Mr. Lewin
Mrs. Szekeres	Mr. Goldstaub

A VOTE OF THANKS

Unanimously the members of the Jewish Community Center wish to express their appreciation of the valuable work done by

Mr. & Mrs. GRODSKY

who through their great effort have given us something which we consider vitally important to YOUTH. Let us hope that they will continue to be amongst us, always ready to help and advise.

THE EDITORS.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR


Dear Editor,

It gives me real pleasure to welcome the first issue of the newspaper of our still young Youth Center. It proves that this promising youngster now does the next proper thing in the growing-up process, seeking to find a medium of expression for new experiences.

Those of us who did their small share in helping to create the Center feel that first objectives have been achieved: to provide a wholesome environment for youth who, compared with other youngsters living under more normal conditions, have been deprived simply of a pleasant meeting place for talk, sport and clean fun.

We had assumed, and as experience rightly shows, that by giving them the run of the place, self-government as you may call it, they would develop a capacity and a liking for things which will always be essential for maturing young men and women everywhere, such as practice in communal enterprise and good comradeship. In working together towards a common goal people, by necessity, learn to respect each other, help each other and be patient with one another. This, in addition to the benefits they derive from the educational activities of the Center, as well as the joy which comes from having a good time, should go a long way in getting the Hongkew Youth away from the spiritual confinement of their segregation experience, and closer to the people who have grown up free and unrestricted, and whom they are going to meet, sooner or later, as they are leaving Hongkew for other lands.

There is little, if anything, of material value which the young people, like the old, will be able to take with them once they get going. But what we, together with the moral and educational values which they have derived from their parents and teachers, can give them instead, are open minds and hearts, and the ability to take their proper places anywhere in the world.


CHARLES H. JORDAN
REPRESENTATIVE

THE AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COM.

Dear Editor,

It has always been the policy of the S.J.Y.A. School to encourage any attempts to provide culture and entertainments for the youth of our local community.

I sincerely feel that the Community Centre has done much toward that end, and believe that the publishing of a Centre Newspaper will be another successful step towards the fulfillment of our ideals.

LUCIE HARTWICH
Headmistress

A Prize-Winning Contest Open To All Members

"To become a father takes a little sense, its once you are one your troubles commence", thats what Wilhelm Busch, famous German humorist, has to say on the subject of fathership. He must have been a newspaper editor or something else in the publishing line, for what are the troubles caused by a corporal baby to those engendered by a spiritual one, say a teeny weeny fortnightly paper like the one you are looking at?

Well, everything seemed o.k. and smooth sailing, the baby had been duly delivered and bathed in printers ink, swathed in clean newsprint and presented to an admiring world; all the numerous aunties and uncles were agreed that they had not seen such a fine offspring in a year of Sundays, when an angry dispute arose among the bystanders: "what about the name to give it?"

Now you must not assume not for a single moment, that this superior bunch of leading spirits, this happy breed of rarified and sophisticated intelligences, the EDITORIAL BOARD (somebody disagreeing? Objections overruled!) did not know of a name! Quite the contrary! The trouble was, they knew of too many. There were lots of names suggested: snappy, dignified and funny ones, as well as sober and saucy ones. But none seemed



good enough for this particular baby. Until one of the crowd hit upon the right solution. Why not make it a contest? Why not indeed? If you make a contest to name a brand new kind of soap, or a new deodorant,

why not for naming a paper? Especially when this paper is supposed to be your own, made for you, through you and by you. Why should you not take a stake in it right from the beginning, by helping us to select the way you yourselves would like it to be called.

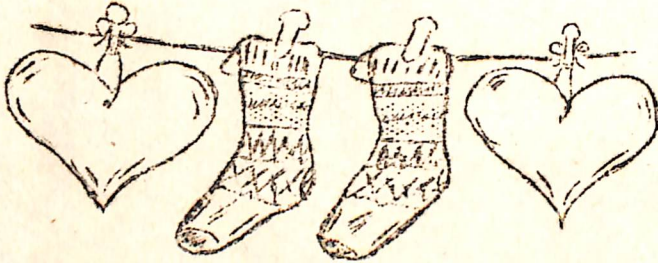
There is certainly no valid reason against it. But there are two definite reasons why you should lend a hand. For one, it ought to be fun. Not everybody can or wants to write an article, but everyone could and ought to have an idea about a name he or she fancies. And secondly, there is a valuable prize to be won. Or would you not like to win a shirt and a tie if you are a boy, or a pair of nylons if you are a girl, just for going to the trouble of putting a name on a scrap of paper and dropping it into the Box of Budding Authors installed in the Center?

There are no strings attached to this contest. Remember that the name should not be too long and that the deadline has been fixed for February 5th.

Dr. E. St.

LONG LEGS AND SHORT SOCKS.

by Hank



Following the end of World War II, an entirely new tribe has appeared on the Shanghai scene. They are called "Bobby Soxers" and though they are multiplying steadily no one knows their origin, for there are only female specimens.

Bobby Soxers come in all shades and sizes. Their figures remind one of an unsolved jig-saw puzzle with curves and angles sti-

cking out in the most unexpected places. Our Bobby Soxers can easily be recognized by their shrill voices and their continuous giggling. They mostly appear in gangs, when single they are always surrounded by a pack of wolves. To hunt down a Bobby Soxer it is first necessary to separate her from her flock and then drive her into a corner, preferably a dark one. The rest is easy, as Bobby Soxers are harmless animals whose bark is worse than their bite. They can be tamed with but little effort.

Dress: Apart from the garment which gives them their name, Bobby Soxers are fond of short skirts, saddle shoes, slacks and sweaters, though the latter do not always fill up to expectations.

Food: Bobby Soxers live on cakes, candy bars, whipped cream and in summer, ice cream. Their favourite drink is Coca-Cola (nearly always taken pure), of which they are able to consume unbelievable quantities. Some Bobby Soxers challenge tobacco, but are usually k.o.ed in the first round. When dissected they have been proved to consist mostly of stomach and heart, other organs, as for instance the brains, are practically non-existent. No Bobby Soxer has ever had a soul.

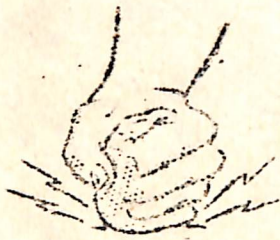
Their main recreation is dancing, which gives them a chance to work off their B.U. (Biological Urge) within the limits of propriety. Other interests are movies, which give them a chance to look at life the way they want it, and for those that are able to read, Comics and True-Confessions.

Their favourite profession is that of a Hairdresser. It enables them to pick up as much gossip as possible under the pretext of work. Men fall under the heading of religion. They worship Frank Sinatra, Robert Taylor, Van Johnson or just some local wolf. All other boys are grouped under the denomination "Devils".

The Bobby Soxers attitude to sex is like that of a cat to a bowl of hot soup, the smell is good, the taste must be even nicer, but if one doesn't take care, one might get burned.

The greatest fear of a Bobby Soxer is to grow up and die an old maid. This may be considered quite an unfounded anxiety as their wild seeds are sure to reap a rich harvest.

It is, perhaps, necessary to reassure the reader who will otherwise lose faith in mankind and seek refuge in a life of sin. Not all hope is lost and in time those kids will grow up to make life happy for the poor, suffering male. So let's give them a hand, and make the short span of life of which the Bobby Sox is the symbol, a very happy one for them.

WE TOO HAVE A RIGHT TO LIVE!

.....Yes, it is a wonderful establishment, this club of ours, a home for the homeless, a haven for a generation that has never known the sweet privilege of youth, to live only semi-conscious of this sordid world and its current daily problems. A youth that possesses not the right to laugh and to sigh, the advantages to be troubled only by the pains of adolescence; to be - sons and daughters of freemen.....!

This is something we have been deprived of, robbed also of our belief in justice and decency, of everything that makes life worth living. Children still - we were driven into servility; children, a toy still in our hands, we watched with fear the terrifying fruits of Europe's super-civilization, the start of prolonged horrors and suffering for us.

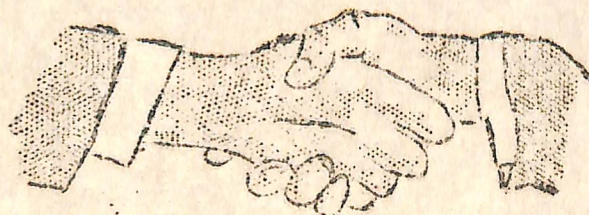
Children still, we knew not laughter, and joy was not ours. Children still, we learned to hate, hate those who called their codified barbarism "Justice", and their degenerated manbeasts the "Master-Race". Hate for our tormentors, but hate also and contempt for a world that looked on and did not want to see or hear the agonizing cries of tortured bodies - until it was too late - until there was nothing left but a few living corpses - for whom the world expressed pity - but has no place!!!

A youth that has survived to see a delivered world rise, a youth that can never erase the happenings of the past from its memory, a youth that lives an unbearable present, and knoweth not its future. A youth that was condemned to roam the streets of a country that was strange and hostile to them - unwanted foreign devils - with no homes but only a place to sleep in.

Easy prey to the vices of "bad-man's territory" Shanghai, it seems; yet this youth - deprived of all the privileges that would be theirs - managed to maintain its morality in the midst of a swamp of corruption and decay, because it possesses of an unconquerable willpower to survive and challenge the world to give them what is theirs, to remind fellow-man THAT WE TOO HAVE A RIGHT, not only to exist, BUT ALSO TO LIVE!

That is why this club conveys to us a message of better times to come, a home, a haven; a hope that soon we shall share with the world youth the right to be again - CARELESSLY YOUNG.

by Walter Fuceredi.



Jewish Youth Organizations have formed a Jewish Youth Council and have helped to run the Jewish Community Center. An outsider may say: just another committee!

The Council has been formed on a suggestion made by S.J.Y.A. of the Joint, who have invited two representatives of every Jewish Youth Organization to a first meeting sometime in September 1946. It was explained to them by Mr. & Mrs. Grodsky, who have always advised the Council since, that a Jewish Community Center will shortly be opened for all Jewish girls and boys, and that they were expected to take an active part in the running of the Center. The Center was then opened and the Youth Council shouldered some of the responsibilities of running this Club. The intelligent reader will now ask whether or not they have been successful? Have they? To some extent surely, but in many respects certainly not.

Before the Center was opened many rules were drawn up, such as the House Rules, etc. They were posted in the various rooms of the Club. Have they been respected? Every member will know best for himself. - If both the organizations and the unaffiliated groups, who have all sent their representatives to the council, would have carried out what their representatives achieved by agreement, then one might have said that the Council had been a complete success. But all know that this has not been the case.

Things were voted for and accepted, put down into the minutes, carefully recorded, and what has been the result? Let us consider the matter of duties and we shall soon see what actually has

happened. Many notices were put up, surely not for the sake of making a fuss about nothing, but to ensure that the club could only be used by those who are entitled to do so; but these allotted duties were rarely carried out by members entrusted with the respective tasks. The fulfillment of these little duties would have been all the more important on days when parties were on, but those in charge could find only a few members who were willing to fulfill their obligations to their fellow club-members.

Yes, and that was what the Youth Council was actually formed for, to find a common basis on which all Youth Groups and Unaffiliated Members could work cooperatively for the common cause: "to have a club, which would be a benefit to all who desired to participate in the activities designed to meet the interests of everyone." One of the fundamentals on which this club was based was that members should run this club themselves, which meant not only to give advice and commands, but also to share the work necessary to run the different programs and entertainments.

It would only be fair to consider also those things which stand definitely to the credit of the Youth Council and which should naturally be mentioned too. The Youth Council could be called a team of brains, pooling all their ideas and brain-waves, debating and agreeing on them, and finally doing their very best to put them into practice. It is not always an easy matter to arrive at solutions equally pleasing to all represented organizations, but there has never been a case which could not be solved

The Youth Council (contl.).

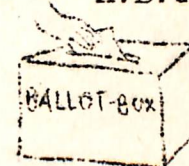
in a democratic way. Sometimes arguments are only settled after long drawn-out and heated discussions, but I hope you know "that the end justifies the means".

This article is not meant to be a glorification of the Youth Council, but it is fair

to state that the Council is doing its very best to assist in the running of the Center. However, concluding this review, I wish to say that the help and backing of all is needed to carry the efforts of the Council to a complete success.

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! FLASH !



"B O B B Y" L A N G E R REELECTED C H A I R M A N,
H. Topfer - Vice-Chairman.

Youth Council, January 21st. - As we have been informed by our special reporter to the Youth Council, popular and able Chairman of the Shanghai Jewish Youth Council, Robert Langer, has been reelected by secret ballot - majority vote.

"Hank" Topfer, co-representative of unaffiliated youth, was elected Vice-Chairman.

Other members of the new EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of Y.C. are: H.B. Grawi - Secretary, St. Ostrower - Sergeant of Arms, and last, but certainly not least, Miss Beate Ostrower - Treasurer.

Their respective terms of office will be six months.

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FROM A-Z SOCIETY

There is a girl in our club
Who loves to bring gossip up
And with a frown
She writes it down
For the paper of the club.

And really she enjoys her work
No hardship she intends to shirk
To invent
And extend
This stimulating kind of work.

Her spare time she spends watching
While a new idea shes hatching
And with a grin
She puts them in
A sight extremely touching.

Shirley-thats her writers name
Sets personal fame as her aim,
To win respect
From the select
And popularity for her name.

INFORMALLY SPEAKING
by "Shirley"

I am an anti-gossiper
And I suggest, lets ship her
To Carolina

That gal who broke into
our Channukah Party in
red booties, what was she
up to? Did she wanna kick
someone? I wonder.---

On a President Liner
Where she can tattle about the skipper.

Observed at the dance, Messrs.
H.S. & P.S. admiring girls
legs, got a lotta kick out of
it apparently.-----

We dont want gossip in our Center
No Jekyll-Hyde minded inventor
Pretending
To be mending
Yet making the crowd discontender.

Miss E.S. first efforts at danc-
ing were not too bad, maybe on
account of her partner, who, head
over heels (you know what I mean),
had eyes for no one, but her. Yeah,
this is love, watcha say, Mr. S.?-
For once S.O. came late to a dance,

Gossip only causes friction
And its mostly merely fiction
So lets stop it
And drop it,
Lets lick it,
And kick it,
And put it under restriction.

but dont blame him, a guy aint got a
date every night with a gal like Moefa.

Elsie Kaerpel.

P.K. was seen successfully attempting his
first dance in public, attaboy Peter!! But
remember, dont be shy next time, it isnt a crime to ask for a second
dance. And you girls, I mean all of you, give him a break in future.
Was not Chaja cute, venturing to administer lipstick for the first
time;- and the way she immediately set out to eat it up commenting
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laconically: "I likes it". She must be pretty near starvation, the poor girl!---- The Navy "Y" was represented in full. Warent you tickled to see them, boys? Must have been quite a break for you fellahs!---- From reliable sources we learn that G.S. is gonna concentrate on his boxing more than ever before. Girls, you ought to sympathise, it is only natural he is seeking diversion considering what is threatening to happen. Look what you are doing, Erika, how can you so break one of our best boys!----- Speaking of definitions: Dancing is the permission to hold a girl in public and yet adhere to the rules of etiquette.----- Coming back to our party, I guess that at one a.m. everybody was home in bed, dreaming about, who knows?----- Or wait, am I not wrong, wasnt H.T. trying to round up a girl to take a taxi ride with at 2 a.m.? Just wondering whether he found a victim.----- That party, it wasnt altogether bad, in fact it was a big success, but folks, I consider it my duty to warn you, next time I am gonna write some more and nothing will escape my eyes, so be on guard.----- H.S. Good news! G.S. is happy again. His beloved is not leaving after all, she could not face eternal separation.

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DEPARTURES

Off for the United States

Markus ROSENZWEIG, very popular member of the Youth Council.

Edith SCHLAMI, by S.S. Marine Lynx to continue her studies in the USA. Edith, who has been an active member of the club, represented the intellectual stratum of our female membership. She came to Shanghai in 1941, and immediately joined Shanghai Jewish School. After graduation she entered St. John's University.

The brothers Hans and Ernst Culmann, well-known in sporting circles, Fredi ALEXANDER and Alfred SCHLEINER.

Gone "Down Under"

"Schurl" POLITZER, Scoutmaster of the 13th Boy Scout Group and well-known in local circles, left for Australia aboard the S.S. Hwa Lien. Peter HARTWICH, Willi WELTMER, Kurt HERZFELD, Johnny TUCHER, Gerhard PARNES, went by same boat.

The Road Back.....

Gritta GLOGAU left for Vienna aboard the repatriation vessel S.S. Marine Falcon. Gritta, a pupil of Prof. Ferdinand Adler, intends to continue her violin studies at the Vienna Conservatory.

Fritz TAUBSIG, one of the youngest of our members, an excellent sportsman and a good student left by same boat.

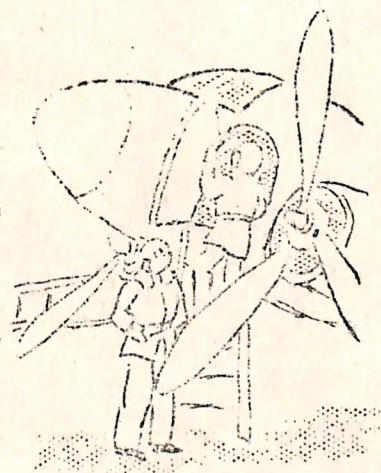
Erich HIRSCH, well-known for his football playing, a young and very popular member of our club.

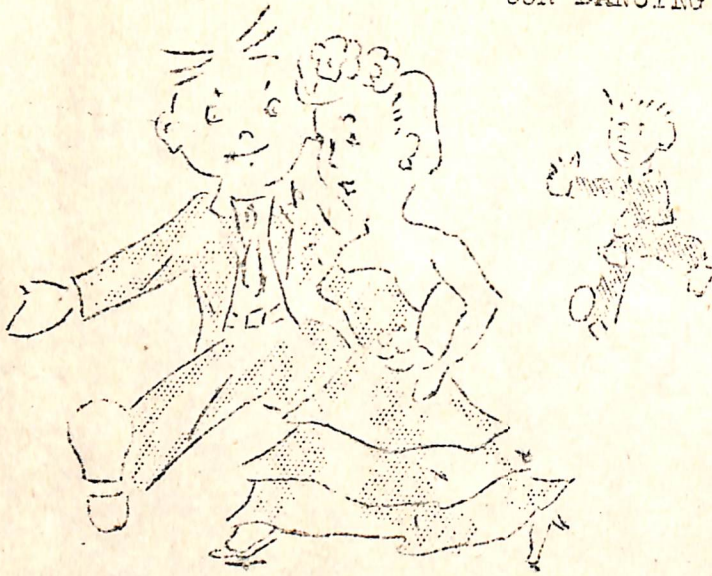
Heinz HURLING, one of the J.R.C. ace Ping Pong players and well-known for his ability in Chess.

Walter KORNHATER, who was in charge of our club's stamp exchange, Eric WEISS, an excellent amateur boxer, Karl GOTTSFELD and Siegfried BAUMANN, all left by the UNRRA repatriation vessel.

En route to South America.....

Meinhard KNOBLOCH left for Bolivia aboard S.S. Marine Lynx, the sisters Ruth and Eva ECHT left for San Domingo by same boat.





Was held on Saturday, January 18th in the big Hall. It started punctually at 8 p.m. with surprisingly few couples on the floor, but to and behold at 8.30 the place was crowded to capacity and were not our social leaders be happy! But this was where the proverbial Jewish punctuality popped up again. You don't know what you are missing, folks, by coming as much as half an hour late. So, if you have not done so already make punctuality one of your resolutions for this New Year. Late-comers or no late-comers, the dance was definitely a success.

Looks like everybody tried his and

her best to break down the floor, especially those nutty jitterbug fans, which, however, they found impossible. After all, a school-hall floor has to be pretty sturdy.

Mr. Walter Fueredi acted as Master of Ceremonies on this occasion, and Mr. Sachsenhaus as well as Mr. Liepmann got the public in a good mood with the usual jokes, both old and new, which, judging by the roar of applause, were greatly enjoyed.

The dancing competitions were the main feature of the evening. There were competitions for slow-fox and tango, foxtrott and swing, Viennese and English waltz, for each of which a first and second winner was picked by the judges, Mr. Goldstaub, Mr. Lewin and Mr. Fueredi. The last competition was for the six winners only, and was won by Mr. L. Klotzer and Miss Karla Klein. Recognition and honourable mention go to Mr. Hauer and his most charming partner. All the winners were awarded with prizes. The "Paul Jones" was quite a success, or did I hear an emphatic "NO" from one of the young gentlemen not so well-versed in the important arts of wrestling and jiu-jitsu! Anyone asking what on earth that got to do with dancing! Ask me another; I am not a boy.

Everybody definitely enjoyed the tag dances.

Continuous clapping from the boys and giggles from the girls were sufficient proof of that.

Mr. Gassenheimer then took the floor, and told us about the movies, which we shall have the opportunity to enjoy in the near future. It is most improbable that Mr. Henry T. and Mr. Alfred A. will give us the honour of being present then, and it is hoped that the pictures shown will not represent life as it is, and that is what Mr. Henry T. goes to a movie for; Mr. Alfred A. was heard to state by the writer that movies have no sense, which belief is perhaps due to the fact that he has not any. However, let us give him the benefit of the doubt.

Mr. Gassenheimer also told us that the dances are going to be twice a month now, which news was received with great enthusiasm.



A DISTURBED NIGHT

XIII.

by Horst Ebstein

When a doctor had gone to his bed one night
He heard a knock at his door not too slight.
"What can I do for you?" the doctor enquired,
"At such a late hour, - I'm rather tired."

"What would you charge," the stranger said
"For consulting a patient a mile ahead?"
The doctor did think for a little while
And then he replied:- "Three Dollars a mile!"

"All right" said the stranger, "Let's start right away
"We have to set off without further delay."
The doctor dressed quickly and harnessed his horse,
Drove off with the stranger in a very high course.

Having arrived at their destination
The stranger paid without hesitation.
"Where is the patient", the doctor enquired,
"The patient to whom you just had me hired?"

The stranger answered; "There's none here so near
I only just asked you to get me here.
A cabman had taken five bucks for that ride
That's all my dear doctor, good night and sleep tight."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS (cont.)

Dear Editor,

The 16th (Independent) Scout Group take this opportunity of expressing their appreciation of the work achieved by the Jewish Community Centre and our best wishes go with its new venture: the publication of a regular newspaper in which all who desired so, may express their views and ideas. It is certainly another step in the direction of the established goal; a working democracy, and we feel confident that this added feature to the Centers regular activities, will also prove to be a success.

It has always been the policy of the Scout Movement to help in Community enterprises, which may clearly be seen by the promise each of our members has made, namely: "To do his best, to do his duty to God and his Community" etc. and it will therefore also be our policy to aid the J.C.C. in any of its undertakings. Good Luck for this and coming editions.

16th Independent Scout Group.

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Dear Editor,
It gives me the greatest of pleasures to congratulate you on the occasion of the first issue of the Community Centre paper. I am sure that this paper will serve the needs of the youth and that you will endeavour to reach a better understanding among the Jewish Youth in Shanghai. May I assure you of the whole-hearted support of the Youth Council. My best wishes, and much luck for the future.

Robert Langer

Chairman of the Youth Council.

Dear Editor,
On the occasion of the first issue of the Community Center newspaper, the 13th (United) Girl Guide Coy. wishes to express their appreciation and gratitude for the Centre. Since the idea of Guiding is outdoor activities such as Sports, Hiking, etc. which are held at weekends. The cultural and social activities of the Centre make up a nice and educational programme during the week. Although the members of the club have very different ideals, there is a fine atmosphere of unity and comradeship that makes us feel at home. We very much hope that the Clubs paper will be the organ of the "United Jewish Youth" and wish you much success.

The 13th (United) Girl Guide Coy.

Dear Editor,
The Tikvah herewith takes the liberty of congratulating you heartily on the occasion of your first Newspaper-Issue. The tenacity with which you have pursued your goal since the last two months, irrespective of personal inconveniences and troublesome obstacles, is really worthy of success and the long-awaited publication of your first issue, will in itself be a moral satisfaction and reward to you.

The establishment of a Club-Newspaper is highly beneficial to the members - individually, and to the Club - as a whole. Everyone is thus given a chance to try his hand at writing and some of the finest journalists have emerged from school and Club-Papers. In addition, the Newspaper is an official means of communicating, on a large scale, your aims, opinions and policies, to the public and if well-organized is an ornament to any club.

Having ourselves gone through the tedious process of editing a paper, we above all, realize the amount of work swallowed by your press and the subsequent sweet taste of a job well done.

We hope that your paper will find wide acclamation and thus induce you to proceed in your constructive work, furthering the aims of the Community Centre.

THE TIKVAH.



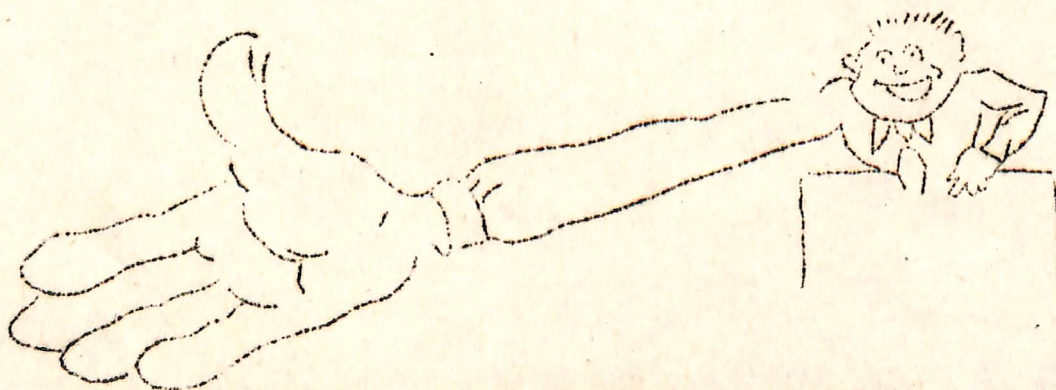
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A lecture by
Miss Marion Gunn



Tuesday, January 15, was highlighted by a lecture on "Life in American Colleges" held by Miss Marion Gunn, acting director of U.S.I.S. Shanghai. Miss Gunn, who graduated from Radcliff College, Cambridge Massachusetts but three years ago, captivated the attention of the audience by her vivid account of University life in general, which she illustrated by her own experiences. Starting with the social life of the students, their pastimes and recreations, touching the economic problems and their solutions, her narrations gradually led to the habits and customs of life in the new surroundings. Reviewing her own four years of college education, Miss Gunn managed to draw a concise, yet very clear picture of student life, its obligations and duties, its joys and relaxations, its ordeals and successes. Briefly mentioning fraternities and sororities, Miss Gunn ended her talk inviting questions from an eager audience. A very successful evening, let us hope for more of this type.

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INFORMAL, INTELLECTUAL & PROFITABLE
by H.K.

Among other activities, one of the most popular and interesting at the Jewish Community Center is the Discussion-Group under the outstanding leadership of Mr. A. Grodsky. Although this group only exists for about three weeks, it has achieved a remarkable success, which is due to the excellent cooperation between its chairman, the steering Committee, as well as the participants themselves. The first two topics discussed, one a political theme, the other concerning social life, have both been a hit. Let us hope it will continue this way, in order to have a lot more "BRAINY" people among us, whom we certainly could use.

by Fritz Kuntz

On Monday December 16th, 1946, Mr. Walter G. Rundle, head of U.P. China, held a very interesting and witty informal talk (to use his own words) on "The Free Press, Its Tasks And Responsibilities". Instead of 8 P.M. it started at 8.15, which, of course, may have been a clever - and successful - ruse of the Committee in Charte, to insure that everybody was seated by the time it began, and that the talk wasn't disturbed by latecomers. Mr. Rundle pointed out that, what the press is fighting for now, is much more than it has ever attempted to get before, namely, free access to news and ready means of communication in all countries to accredited and reputable newspaper or agency representatives, with no strings attached. He made it clear that the press has a long way to go yet to attain that goal, but that it was making definite headway in this direction.

He then gave a necessarily brief outline of the organization and history of the three great news-agencies in the United States, the U.P., the A.P. and the I.N.S. Of special interest to the audience was his brief description of how news is relayed from Europe, for instance, to the United States and, if important, to the whole world in a matter of seconds. He also made it abundantly clear that in the newspaper and news agency lines a few seconds' difference may mean "scoop or a flop, success or failure".

At the conclusion of the talk, which lasted half an hour, a score of questions were asked by the audience, nearly all of which Mr. Rundle answered in a very clear, concise, humorous, and hit-the-nail-on-the-head manner. Too bad, the talk had to be so short, and we certainly and sincerely hope to see Mr. Rundle back here again for another interesting and instructive talk (or lecture if you want to have it that way).

EDUCATION

by Evelyn Popielarz

Education can be defined as knowledge gained through systematic instruction in a multitude of subjects. To acquire sufficient knowledge, term someone an educated person, requires careful training in many different subjects, such as languages, mathematics and science, history and international problems and last not least the different arts. The earlier this process of educating a person starts, the better the achievements will be. From this it may easily be seen that in order to be called educated, one must possess a vast field of knowledge, coupled together with experience.

An educated person must at least be able to speak two other languages besides his mothertongue, have a fair knowledge of science, be able to understand the different problems arising in daily life; he should be well informed on world events and have a sound knowledge of the main historic events and the influence which they exercised on mankind. Of course, it is also essential that a well educated person has an understanding for such things as music and the other arts.

Parents sometimes sacrifice all they have to educate their children, but it is a fact that these sacrifices are not always appreciated as much as they really should be. Education means everything for a person who tries to get on, and it is the only hope for a lasting world-peace. Many countries are now doing their utmost to bring education within reach of everybody desiring, and it may be said that their efforts will be well rewarded.

Miss Dorothy Young of UNRRA, who has been in charge of the English Conversation Group is leaving for New York in the near future in order to take up a position with a medical research foundation there. Her class will be taken over by another lady, also of UNRRA.

Miss Young's departure will be keenly felt by all. English conversation has been one of the best liked features of the club. Pronunciation, Grammar and Conversation spiced with occasional excursions into slang and idiom were made palatable even to those, who would shun anything smelling faintly of school. There have always been some new attractions such as material about American life, topics of the day or humor.

All of us who participated wish Miss Young the best for her future and we hope that her successor will meet with the same appreciation and popularity.

THE CHILDREN'S CHANUKA PARTY.

by Dr. E. Strauss

Among the various activities of the Center, the Children's Chanuka Party held on the 24th and 25th Dec., certainly deserves special mention, for hardly ever did a function turn out so much to the entire satisfaction of the sponsors as well as of the performers and the audience.

The entertainment part of the party was nearly totally taken care of by the kids of the S.J.Y.A. School, who went about their task with no end of ambition and gusto. From the tots of the transition classes to the "grown ups" of 11 and 12, each group vied with the other to make the performance a success. Since everybody did their very best, it would seem unjust to single out individual turns, but mention should be made of Hedy Gruenwald who showed marked talent in dance and pantomime, and of Rea Cohn who gave a very creditable impersonation of Charlie Chaplin. Tribute has also to be paid to the inconspicuous but very essential work done by the various teachers who through their arduous and untiring effort in arranging and directing everything made this fine performance possible.

The bodily needs of the youthful guests were taken care of in a really generous and touching manner. The affair was sponsored by the J.D.C. together with the S.J.Y.A. school and the children were guests of this institution. They were treated to chocolate candies, the latter made available by a donation by Mrs. and Mr. Muni Frankl. Besides, every child was presented with a box containing 1/2 lb. of chocolate as a special donation of the J.D.C. It is worth mentioning that the party was open not only to the members of the Center but to every Jewish child in Hongkew.

Mrs. Hartwich, headmistress of the S.J.Y.A. School, welcomed the children and the guests, among which the top J.D.C. executives, with a few well chosen words. However good the performances and however cheerful the general atmosphere, the high-spot of the function was still reached when, during the interval, the Chanuka candles were solemnly kindled. As always, this ceremony did not fail to make a deep impression on all present, and there was certainly no one who did not sense the tremendous significance of the moment, as a symbolic gesture to maintain the spirit of Jewish tradition among the rising generation, however adverse the circumstances.

All told, it was a function successful in every aspect which will certainly give the children something to remember in the years to come.

Junior Section

OUR CENTRE
by Dorchen Moses 14 years.



The Centre is a club to play
We like to go there every day
We are enjoying our life
Every day from 3 to 5.

Lots of things there are to do
Every day there is something new
Baking classes, Crafts and Arts
Are the most important parts.



We have bingo and can win a prize
Once a week and sometimes twice.
Lots of sports are also done,
To see movies is plenty of fun.

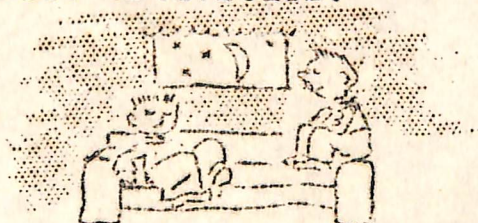
To play indoor games brings joy
To every girl and every boy
And on the notice board one sees
All the nice activities.



BINGO



The 2 hours pass very fast
And I always am the last
Leaving, because I'd like to stay
In our Centre all the day.



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I've been finding out these days
That the Lounge is the nicest place
Many things there are to see
In this lovely library.
Comics, Lifes and picture books
Magazines, Newspapers and Looks,
Many hours you can read
On a comfortable seat.
The curtains too look very nice
They bring delight to our eyes.
Nobody makes any dirt,
Only whispers can be heard.
And you really take a rest
In the place which I like best.

THE LOUNGE
by Dorchen Moses (14)





ARTS and CRAFTS

by Hedy Gruenwald & Edith Stern



In the Jewish Community Center we have lots of fun.

Among activities done in the afternoons, one of the most interesting and practical for the juniors, are ARTS and CRAFTS. These take place about once or twice a week. Boys and girls, lower and upper juniors each are for themselves. Every lesson lasts about one hour, which we find very short.

Crafts, meaning all kinds of hand works, f.i. combcases, mirror-cases, wallets, etc., made of plastic, are very useful. First of all we enjoy things we made by ourselves, and they are also much cheaper then if we purchase them in stores.

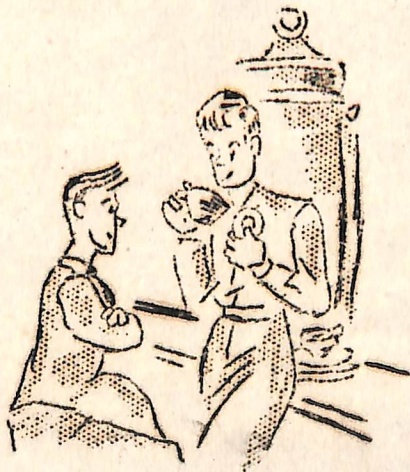
Boys also enjoy crafts, they make plastic works just as the girls, and in addition, they are taught how to construct beautiful gliders.

It is always good to improve ones skill and to take part in ARTS and CRAFTS, whëh we are sure, everybody finds interesting and lots of fun.

THE CANTEEN.

by Lieselotte Isaack

If we have money we all know
Where the best place is to go
Everyday I can be seen
Having food in the Canteen
Things that really taste so nice
We can get for a cheap price
Everyone of the Junior Group
likes to have some noodle soup
The candies I do appreciate
Already lots of them I ate
The Juices nearly I forgot
I like them when it's cold or hot
There are other things I'd like to try
Which until now I did not buy
But I know they're really good
like the other canteen food!



SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS.

Recently a Science and Mathematics Class has been started in our Community Center. The classes are conducted by Mrs. Szekeres who not only understands these subjects, but knows how to make lectures really interesting. Informal, but the regular attendance shows the genuine interest in the discussed topics. Let us hope that these classes will be continued and the range of subjects extended, for the benefit of all those interested in them. — If you are interested too, come and join us and I am sure that you will not only be more than welcome, but will also benefit very much.

H. Schwarz.

Lichtenthal/Vienna
January 31st, 1797

Shanghai
January 31st, 1947

1.
An uneventful life he led
In Austrias main city
The only thoughts that filled his head
Were music and his Ditty

3.
He was a choir-boy at ten
Attempted composition,
His genius already then
Displayed his disposition.

5.
He, after some success retired
To Bohemia with a friend
Of music he grew never tired
Alas! His life soon found its end!

7.
From publishers no answer came
Although he worked a lot
The public was bad just the same
His life was spendend - NOT!

2.
Of fourteen children one was he
Who studied hard indeed
His fathers job was just to see
How are his Kids to feed!

4.
He suffered many privation
In all his life, which was not long
His works attracted no sensation
Not even for his "German Song"

6.
Not much attention he has had
Sales of his works were scant
His life in all was very sad
He scarcely had one friend!

8.
A singer "Vogl", he was called
Performed his songs quite well
It has not been at all his fault
The songs did never sell!

9.
Beethoven recognized in fact
His genius - but too late,
For Schubert died in great neglect
In poverty - his fate!

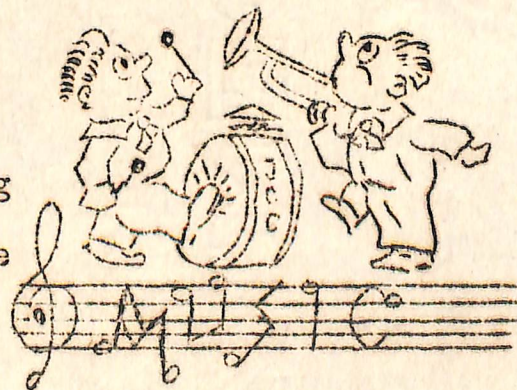
Horst Ebstein.

PRACTICAL MUSIC ACTIVITIES.
by H.K.

Besides of a lot of entertainments, it is surprising how little attention is given to practical Music activities. Even if we take it for granted that the majority of members of this club is mainly interested in dance music, it remains to be seen, whether semi-classical music would not be liked just as well. It goes without saying that most people concerned are tired of theoretical lectures and would rather have something practical.

On information received from reliable sources, there will be a matinee on one of the following Sundays, sponsored by the Shanghai Musician association.

I am sure that this is exactly what most of you music-lovers wer looking for, but did not find yet. Among others we hope to be able to get Charley Albert, Harry Fischer, as well as a lot more well known musicians.- Lets hope for more Music Activities.





Sports at the Community Center are becoming pretty popular. By my Sunday morning, provided the weather is not too bad, boys and girls, seniors and juniors, rush to the Center to do some outdoor sports. Football and Handball are naturally in the spotlight, but there are of course many other activities. In the evenings the most popular sport is Ping-Pong. One usually has to wait for more than half an hour in order to have a game.

Until now there were two Ping-Pong Tournaments; the Singles competition was won by Bobby Salomon, with Gert Kirschner the runner up, while the mixed doubles were won by the couple Henry Deutsch - Dinah Bacharach. Another quite popular indoor sport seems to be Badminton. Nearly every evening boys and girls can be seen enjoying this wonderful game. About once a week there are Gymnastics under the able direction of Mr. L. Meyer. There were competitions in both, chess and checkers. Those being very popular indeed. Nearly every evening boys and girls can be seen hard at work with these games. The Chess Tournament was won by Tintner, who also managed to win the only simultaneous game, played against the J.R.C. Champoin Kosakievicz. In checkers the boys had to bow in front of a girl whose brains in daily life if nothing out of the ordinary, but who seems to be highly alert when playing checkers. The girl in question is Evelyn Popielarz, winner of the checkers competition. Furthermore one should give credit to the Blow game, which used to be highly popular during the first weeks of the Center, but which for some unknown reasons wasn't played anymore. Before I conclude this review, I would like to mention that several members of the Center are doing very well in amateur boxing. They are "Laco", Kurt Wolff, Gary Schindler, Horst Schlochau, Lothar Klotzer and the Schmul brothers. Some of them even got as far as scoring knock-outs.

And this ends the Sport's Review.

Kurt Spitzer

Additional News: We would like to add that the Jewish Community Center has been the winner of the Ping-Pong competition between TEXACO - and itself. The score was 9:3.

OUR ACTIVITIES.....

Monday	8.00	Bingo, Quiz
	9.00	Discussion Group (Mr. A. Grodsky)
Tuesday	7.30	English Conversation
	8.00	Gymnastics
	8.30	Youth Council Meeting
Wednesday	8.00	Science & Mathematics (Mrs. Szekeres)
	8.00	Dancing Lesson for Advanced (Goldstaub & Lewin)
Thursday	8.00	Dancing Lesson for Beginners (Erdstein)
Friday	6.45	Divine Service
Saturday	8.00	every second week Dance Party
Sunday	10. a.m.	Sports

CHAMPS !!!

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Somewhere in the Center.

Here's a flash report from our SPORTS - battlefield:

WINNERS

CHESS: 1st TINTNER

2nd WOHL

CHECKERS: 1st E. POPIELARZ

2nd SILBERSTEIN

PING-PONG

SINGLES: H. SALOMON

MEN'S DOUBLE: H. DEUTSCH - H. SALOMON
G. FLATOW - G. SCHINDLER

MIXED DOUBLE: H. DEUTSCH - D. BACHRACH



Casualties were slight, consisting mainly of twisted or strained vocal cords.

GENERAL INTRODUCTION TO CHESS

The Royal Game of chess has a history of some two thousand years; however the xlxth century has been selected in developing it into the most popular game. Yet no royal path leads to the mastery of its principles, theoretical foundations and technique, only work and perseverance takes the talented towards that goal. Chess, being an intellectual duel, stimulates the imagination, offering beautiful combinational horizons. It strengthens the power of logical thinking, and teaches the art of exact calculation. The aim of the contestants in the strategic battle is to maneuver the adversary's King into a position in which when attacked, (check) has no place to withdraw to, and surrenders. (mate) To reach the mate position the opponents by suitable moves unfold their pawns, set up their light figures in a good attacking position, and try to prevent their adversaries from achieving the same end.

The opening of the game, or debut is not to be underrated; poorly tackled it predetermines the outcome. Thorough understanding of the importance of the quick and suitable unfolding of pieces, correct estimation of the situation at the given moment and adherence to the main idea of the particular debut are vital for all openings. The gambits (by gambit we understand an opening in which one side sacrifices materials to gain positional advantage) are started as a rule in the center of the board with the intention of obtaining command over these most important fields. One should place his chessmen thus that they cover as large an area as possible without impeding each other's maneuverability. The initiative is the most important factor, it compels the opponent to defensive moves, (often forced) weakening automatically his position. The protection of one's King should be undertaken

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by pawns only, if possible, and must be adjusted in accordance with the adversary's concentration. The heavy figures (rooks) should not be sent out into the field in the beginning, where they are apt to fall on easy prey to the opposing pawns and light pieces. The rooks should cover the so called open lines, thus automatically exerting pressure on the enemy's configuration. The same chessman should not be moved twice in the opening, this being a loss of tempo and giving no equivalent. Here special stress should be put on the factor of time. Any unnecessary or aimless undertaking gives the partner the opportunity to bring undisturbed his own figures into play and choke the immobilized opposing camp. The pawns should be kept in unbroken formations thus defending and reinforcing each other, and making it easier to drive them through the enemy's configurations. The figures should as a rule converge and pawns kill in the direction of the center. Castling is an intrinsic part of every debut, as one's King is thus posted behind an advantageous defensive line of pawns. The castling pawns should not be moved unless necessary, leaving open the possibility of future adaptation to an eventual attack. White opening the game is in the initiative, and the imminent job of the black in the gambit is to neutralize it. When both sides have drawn up their lines and are ready for major encounters, we come to the so called middle game, that means tactical execution of our plans by means of combinations.

A combination is a number of consecutive moves based on the same idea to which the adversary has only forced and preconceived answers. The aim of a combination may be material or positional gain, or even a checkmate. The elements of any combination are: a) concentric assault against a weak point. b.) binding of the opponents pieces. c.) advantageous exchange. d.) passing pawn. The correct estimation of the respective positions is of utmost importance. The chessmen have their absolute mathematical value,

depending on their maneuverability, radius of action and possibilities for attack, but their practical value varies with the circumstances of every particular position.

If the game cannot be decided in this stage due to lack of material necessary for a mate, the opponents must concentrate on driving through their pawns to the first line of the enemy in order to acquire a Queen. (or another figure). These so called endgames are of varied and often extremely complicated nature, but are governed by the same principles as the whole game. The factor of tempo may be of decisive importance here.

Should neither be in a position to checkmate his adversary, because of insufficient strengths or specific positions, as stalemate and continuous check the game is a draw.

Kosakievics

H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y

and many more to come to:

Miss Hedy LANGEFELDER
Miss Beate GRUNWALD
Mr. Alfred L. KOHN
Mr. Gerhard SCHLESINGER
Mr. Gerta BASH
Mr. Benno PINSKI
Mr. Robert LANGER
Mr. Kurt BIRNZEIG
Mr. Henry CYMBALIST.

Juniors:

Achim GLIGER
Hedy GRUNWALD
Hans GOLOMBEK
Hans LEWKOWITZ
Herbert GORGE
Ellen LOEBEL
Ferry COHN
Margot ROSENBAUM
Susi PRAGER
Norbert SWISTOVSKI

and last not least among the Juniors Mr. Walter FURIEDI.